

Demolished 1991

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

In Area no.

Form no.

451



Location Lexington

Address 113 Waltham Street

Name Martin O'Brien House

Present use Private house

Present owner Elvira Harrigan

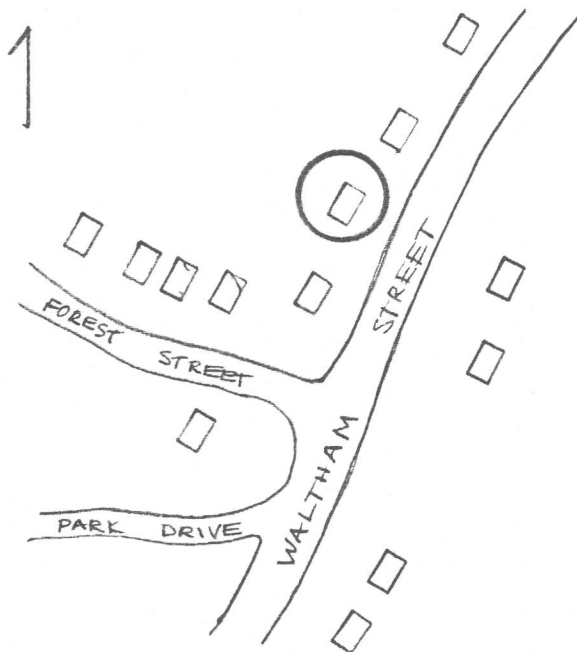
Description:

Period c. 1855-1865

Source map research

Style Italianate

4. Map. Draw sketch of building location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE
USGS Quadrant _____

MHC Photo no. _____

Architect _____

Exterior wall fabric Clapboard, dark green with white trim

Outbuildings (describe) Garden gazebo chicken coop

Other features Brick foundation small, 2 storey porch, fruit trees in yard, sm. side el

Altered _____ Date _____

Moved _____ Date _____

5. Lot size:

One acre or less 14061 ft² Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage 50'

Approximate distance of building from street 25'

6. Recorded by Grady, Mimno, Leader; Anne Grady

Organization Lexington Historical Commission

Date April 8, 1976; April, 1984

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) _____

Original use _____

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates _____

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	_____	Religion	_____
Architectural	<u>x</u>	Exploration/ settlement	_____	Science/ invention	_____
The Arts	_____	Industry	_____	Social/ humanitarian	_____
Commerce	_____	Military	_____	Transportation	_____
Communication	_____	Political	_____		
Community development	_____				

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

The house was owned by the O'Brien family from before 1875 until after 1906.

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE

This is one of the simplest Vernacular structures to survive in Lexington center. It predates most of the houses on Waltham Street.

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

1875 atlas

1889 atlas

1906 atlas

1887 Directory

1894 Directory

1899 Directory

1906 Directory